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CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION NOW HISTORY:

Your editor has just returned from the recently held Canadian Numismatic Association convention held in Quebec City, and therefore am late in getting this newsletter completed and mailed. It was good to see, and spend some time visiting with, so many of our CAWMC members at this convention.

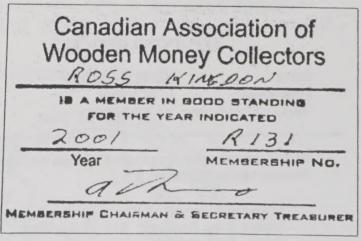
It appears that there were fifteen new wooden token issues distributed at this C.N.A. convention. A brief summary of the CAWMC breakfast meeting held there, and the showing of the fifteen new issues will have to wait until next month's 'Timber Talk'.



At this time there must be said a huge 'THANK YOU' to our outgoing president Lou Vesh, for all his work on our behalf. As well, a very sincere 'WELCOME' to Earl Salterio, who takes over as our new president. CAWMC is in good hands. More next month.

MEMBERSHIP WOOD FLATS AND RECEIPTS ENCLOSED:

Our CAWMC membership chairman, Al Munro of Calgary has sent receipts and wood membership flats to me to send out with this newsletter. Many of these have already been personally delivered by Al himself and your editor was able to personally deliver some while at the recent C.N.A. convention. All others, that I have received, are enclosed in this newsletter. If you have questions regarding your membership or flats and receipts, please contact Al at Box 2643 Station 'M', Calgary, Alberta, Can., T2P 3C1.



ADVERTISEMENTS:

If you have information to pass on to other members or material to advertise in Timber Talk, please be aware that this service is **free** to all CAWMC members. *Please use this service*.

CAWMC MEMBER WANTS WOODS:

Boy, girl and cub scout woods/flats wanted. Railroad- related and Trolley- related woods/ flats wanted. Also looking for the 1972 and the 1975 Goschenhopper Folk Festival wood issues. No Bid Prices Please. Send list of what you have to Mr. Wally Krocsko P.O. Box 307 Atlasburg, PA 15004-0307.

NEW MARITIME, CANADA WOOD AVAILABLE:

This new, year 2001 wood, from the province of Nova Scotia is available from **Doug Shand** for \$1.00 Canadian plus a SASE. Doug's address is P.O. Box 78 Shag Harbour, Shelburne County, Nova Scotia, Can., BOW 3BO.





NEW MEMBER:- Welcome to:

JAMES WILLISTON 6 Nottingham Road Sherwood Park, Alberta T8A 5H9

CAWMC OFFICERS

President:

EARL SALTERIO

Vice-President:

DAVE GILLESPIE

Secretary-Treasurer and Membership Chairman:

AL MUNRO

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LOU VESH

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NORM BELSTEN, BOB BROWN,

RUSSELL BROWN, WAYNE GILLCASH,

JAMES WILLISTON.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Editor:

ROSS KINGDON

Fund Raiser:

LOU VESH

Auction Coordinator: AL MUNRO

DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds
United States Residents: \$10.00 U.S. Funds
International Members Rate (outside of Canada and
U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds
Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643 Stn. 'M', Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH



Al Munro has once again provided our free wood of the month. This wood, which is red on both sides, is from Binscarth, Manitoba. There is a story that the local 580 radio station tried to get the town name changed but it still remains the same today. In a past article in 'Chatelaine' magazine, this town was named the '#1 small town of Canada'. Thanks for this wood Al.

PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLARS FOR 2001:

by Jerry Remick

In May, the Prince George Chamber of Commerce of Prince George, British Columbia, issued a 2001 dated \$3.00 municipal trade token printed on white spruce, 2 ¾ inches in diameter and ¼ inch in thickness. For many years, this has been the largest wooden trade token issued in Canada.

Locally the wooden token sells for \$3.00. Most woods are not redeemed for merchandise,

but are kept as souvenirs by tourists and collectors.

The obverse side is printed in *red* ink and commemorates the 90th anniversary of the Prince George Chamber of Commerce. The central design shows **interlocked numbers '9' and '0'**. This is framed with the wording "The Chamber of Commerce / Celebrates 90 Years". "Issue / # 153" is at the far left center. "Value / \$3.00" is at the far right center. "Expires Dec. 01" is below the design. "Prince George Chamber of Commerce" is around the top of the token, while "Negotiable Only For Merchandise / By Visitors To The White Spruce Capital" is around the bottom in two lines.

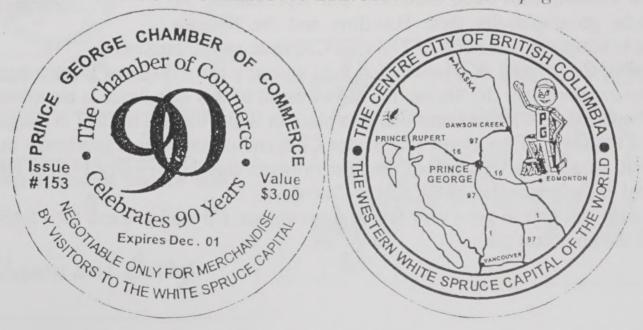
The reverse side is printed in *black* and shows the usual map of British Columbia indicating where Prince George is situated. The Prince George mascot, a wooden man made of spruce and called 'Mr. P.G.' is shown in the upper right corner. The inscription around the outer part of the token reads: "The Centre City of British Columbia / The Western White Spruce Capital Of The World".

Mike Vogal designed the wood. Rocket Signs and Promotions of Prince George printed five hundred wooden tokens. The wooden tokens are cut with the grain of the wood.

This is the 153rd issue of large, spruce, municipal, trade tokens issued by the Prince George Chamber of Commerce. Their first wooden token was issued in 1958. At first the token was sold locally at \$1.00 and more recently at \$2.00. The first \$3.00 token was issued in 1999.

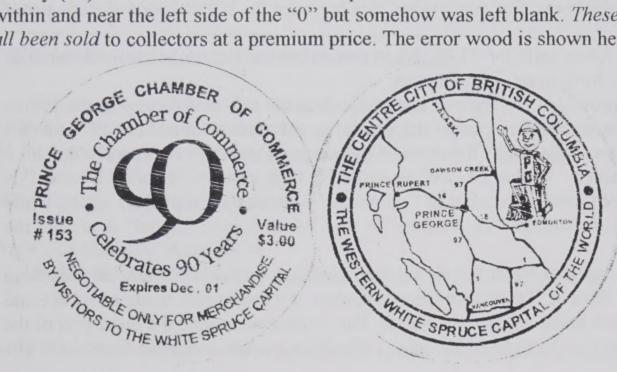
The 2001 \$3.00 wooden token is available postpaid for \$5.45 for Canadian residents and \$3.87 U.S. for American residents by writing to Prince George Chamber of Commerce, Attn. Louise Lissoway 770 Brunswick St., Prince George, B.C., Can., V2L 2C2 - telephone 250 - 562-2454 and fax 250 - 562-6510. Specimens of a few recent back issues are also still available.

PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLAR 2001 ERROR continued next page---



ERROR ON PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLAR 2001: continued from page 3----

Somehow during the printing of the five hundred 2001 dated \$3.00 wooden trade tokens issued by the Prince George Chamber of Commerce, there was discovered a printing error on twenty (20) of them. The error involves part of the "9" of '90' that should have been printed within and near the left side of the "0" but somehow was left blank. These 20 error woods have all been sold to collectors at a premium price. The error wood is shown here.



NEWLY DISCOVERED WOOD FROM NORTH BAY, ONTARIO:

A few thousand of these woods were issued by the RORAB SHRINE CLUB of North Bay, Ontario and were used in place of cash at the bars and food locations at their year 2000 Rameses Shriners Spring Ceremonial held in North Bay in June of 2000.

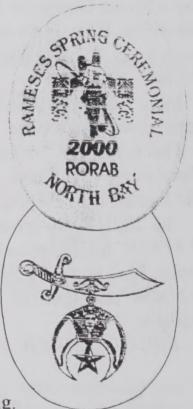
The tokens were laser printed on ash wood. On the one side is the crest which is the international Shrine Crest. On the other side is 'The Shriner' carrying a physically challenged child through the Gateway to the North (a well-known logo for the City of North Bay). Rameses is the name of one of three Temples in Ontario with 5100 members and representing 39 Shrine Clubs geographically from Hamilton and the Niagara region east to Kingston, and north to Timming/Cochrone and Kan

region east to Kingston, and north to Timmins/Cochrane and Kapuskasing.

The Spring Ceremonial is a convention held annually (in a different location) primarily to initiate new members into the Shrine. No Shrine event of this magnitude is complete without a Shriners' Parade. In 2001, this event will take place in Belleville and in 2002 in Niagara Falls.

Rorab is the name of the North Bay Shrine Club and comes from a gentleman by the name of Rorabeck, who was a well-known druggist in North Bay in the early 1900's. He was very instrumental in the origination of the Shrine Club there.

Your editor was able to get a very few of these woods. I'll mail you one for a SASE plus the \$2.00 each that they cost me.



CANADA WIDE WOODS SUBSCRIPTION SERIES # 17:

Canada Wide Woods has recently issued their seventeenth series of subscription woods. In this series there are twenty total woods, three of which (2 flats and 1 round) were previously shown in other issues of 'Timber Talk'. They are indicated below, but not shown.

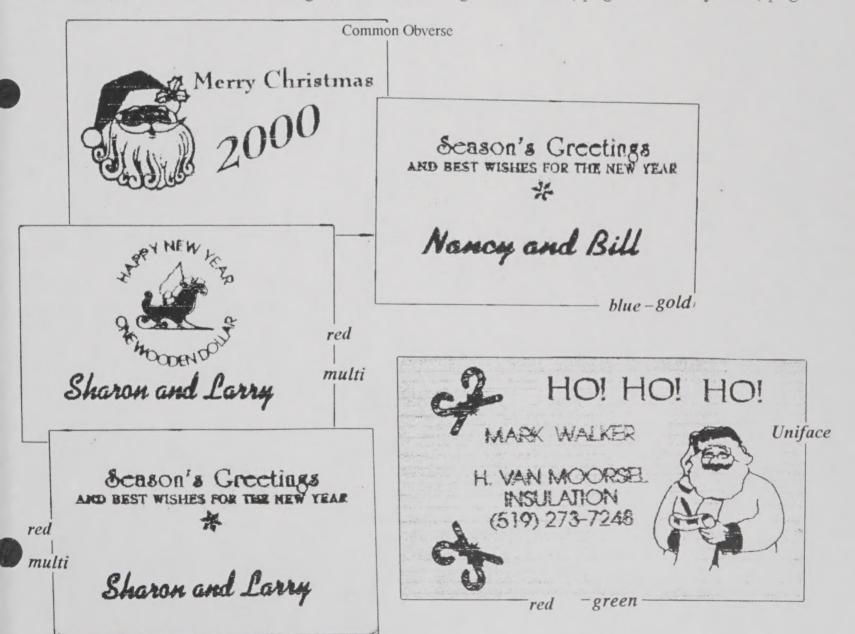
Another four flats, in this series, were issued for this past Christmas 2000, but were not shown at that time. They are now shown here.

Half of the woods in this series have been issued by CAWMC member (#103) Larry White of Box 85, 289 Briarcliff Dr. Liberty Center, Ohio, U.S.A. 43532. Larry has obviously had woods made to highlight his membership in the various numismatic societies and associations to which he belongs and in many cases is a life member. Larry's ten woods are shown here (page 6), and also listed, as the photo reproductions are not always very clear.

Any request for these woods or interest in subscribing to future series, should be directed to Canada Wide Woods General Delivery Gadshill, Ontario, Can. NOK 1JO.

Three Woods Previously Shown:

- 1. Jerry Remick Christmas 2000 Blue/Green ---- Jan. 2001, page 4
- 2. Jerry Remick Christmas 2000 Blue/Red -----Jan.2001, page 4
- 3. Hartland, New Brunswick- Longest Covered Bridge- June 2001, page 2 and July 2001, page 3

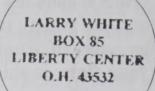


CANADA WIDE WOODS SERIES #17: continued

Ten Larry White Woods (listed) and Three other rounds:

- 1. American Numismatic Association LM 2214 Green/Green
- 2. Michigan State Numismatic Society LM 87 Blue/Blue
- 3. Central States Numismatic Society LM 186 Multi/Multi
- 4. Virginia Numismatic Society LM 35 Multi/Multi
- 5. T. E. C. # 1384 Silver/Silver
- 6. Dedicated Wooden Money Collectors #229 Bronze/Bronze
- 7. Indiana State Numismatic Association LM 34 Gold/Gold
- 8. C.A.W.M.C. # 103 Black/Black
- 9. I.O.W.M.C. # 1204 Bronze/Bronze

10. Canadian Numismatic Association – LM 164 – Green/Green



Common Obverse











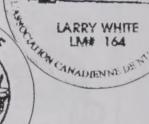


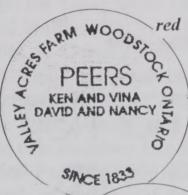










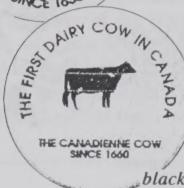








black blue



Common Reverse

CROM YOUR GLOBE AND MAIL CARRIER Art Stephenson P.O. Box 473 Arthur, ON NOG 1AO 28

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